This 25 per cent production will be marketed as per :he marketing and pr'cing^disciplines in force.

Complaints on GAS Agencies Regarding Gas Connection in Sagar District

1833. SHRI RAM NARESH YA DAV; Will the Minister of PETRO LEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that. a number of com pit nts were received regarding manipulations being done by the gas agenck ; in Sagar in issuance of gas connections to consumers at district dealers;

(b) if soj what are the names of those gas agencies and

(c) what actio i has been taken against the guilty dealers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA-; (a) to (c) M|s. Hindustan Petroleu n Corporation Ltd. is ivesligating into the alleged malpractices involving their LPG distributor viz. M|s. Vineet Gas Agency at Sagar.

Opening Medium and Small Size Oil Fields to Joint & Private Sectors

1834. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN; Will the Minister of . PETROLEUM AND NATURAL CIAS be pleased to mate:

(a) when was the decision taken by Government to open out medium and small size oil 3elds to joint and private sectors;

(b) on what date, the bids were invited for each of the above fields; and

(c) what are the reasons for the delay in implementing the decision?

THE MINISTER OF STATE**OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA); (a) The decision to offer 43 fields —12 medium and 31 small-sized oil and gas fields—for development was taken on 2nd July, 1992.

(b) The bids wer$_e$ invited through advertisements in leading newspapers on 24th Augi ft, 1992.

(cj There wals no delay in implementing the decision. The time between taking 'be decision and inviting bi's wa? requiied for putting together promotional material and getting the bidding document ready.

Konkan Railway Project

1835. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH; Will (he Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state;

(a) what ar$_e$ the details of the Konkan Railway Projects;

(b) what will be its length; what is its starting point and what is its destination; and

(c) this project is at present at what stage of completion and by when is the rest expected to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI K. C. LENKA); (a) and (b) Konkan Railway Project covers construction of a 760 Kms. long new B.G. line on Western coast of India linking Roha near Bombay on the northern end to Ma-ngalor$_e$ on the hem end.

68 Kms. section between Man-lore-Udipi has already been opened to traffic end 48 Kms. long section between Roha and Veer is ready for opening. Th$_e$ project is targetted for completion in 1994-95, subject t.o nvailability of funds.